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This letter is in response to the Office Action mailed to me on 04/06/2006.

In response to the section named "Disposition of Claims" #6 in which claims is/are rejected, the Examiner team in art unit 3727 is assisting me in preparing an acceptable claim.

In response to the correction of drawings cited in the section named "Application Papers" # 10, I have included corrected drawings and corrected reference to drawings with this letter.

In response to Detailed Action Specification relating to the Abstract Of The Invention, I have reworded the Abstract to include an appropriate number of words. The abstract now includes 149 words.

Thank You,

Sincerely,

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temperature buffering. The drinking utensil itself may be of any shape, form, or size associated with drinking utensils (ex. Fig.1 shows the extendable drinking utensil in the form of a mug while Fig.5 shows the extendable drinking utensil as a tumbler). The distinguishing characteristic between this invention and all of those which came before it is that the supplier or the user may extend this drinking utensil to accomplish his/her desires.

FIG. 1 illustrates the extendable drinking utensil 10 in a form when it is not extended. The outer casing 15 of the drinking utensil may be constructed of a wide variety of materials. The outer casing 15 may be constructed of plastic or the like, glass or the like, metal or the like or anything that is able to be made firm enough to hold liquid and/or be fitted with grooves and/or screw on and/or screw off receptors. The inner casing 20 is attached to the outer casing and may be constructed of a variety of materials. The inner casing 20 may be constructed of plastic or the like, glass or the like, metal or the like, or any material that is able to be made firm enough to hold liquid and or be fitted with grooves and/or screw on and/or screw off receptors. The inner casing 20 may attach or be inserted into the outer casing in several different ways. FIG.1 shows the inner casing 20 attaching to the top of the outer casing 15. FIG.1 also shows the inner casing 20 attaching to the bottom of the outer casing 15 and equipped with grooves 38 to assist the user in achieving extension. The inner casing 37 is the same as the inner casing 20, different reference numbers are used here to illustrate the fact that the inner casing may be primarily attached to the top of the

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

An insulated drinking utensil which extends to contain more liquid and enhance logo/decorative display including an outer casing, inner casing(s), a lid if desired, a handle if desired, and sealing gasket if desired. The extendable drinking transforms from a normal drinking utensil into a larger drinking utensil capable of holding more and displaying more. This invention allows individuals the convenience of turning their everyday coffee mug into a larger container or pitcher. This invention allows advertisers the ability of enhancing positive brand exposure. This invention allows individuals to show off their favorite team in a new and revolutionary way. This invention allows retailers to offer something completely unique to their customers while also conserving precious shelf space normally used for containers with similar storage capacity. This invention also allows the end user the luxury of storing a container with large holding capacity into a small storage area.